

## Asian International Children's Film Festival Preliminary in-country contest in Cambodia 09 September, 2015

The preliminary in-country contest in Cambodia for the "Asian International Children's Film Festival" was successfully held on 09 September, 2015 at the Cambodia-Japan Cooperation Center (CJCC).

This preliminary contest was organized by the Embassy of Japan in Cambodia in cooperation with the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports and the CJCC. The theme of this year was "The Moment You Feel Happiness". 53 films were submitted by high school students in and around Phnom Penh, and 16 films were pre-selected and screened at the contest.



The Festival was started in Japan in 2007, and since then it has been organized every year. Cambodian students have been invited to the Festival since 2009. This year, 9 Students of the 3 winning groups will be invited to Japan under the "Japan-East Asia Network of Exchange for Students and Youths (JENESYS 2015)" Program, along with students from 10 ASEAN countries (Cambodia, Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand, Philippine, Laos, Myanmar, Brunei, Vietnam, Malaysia), East Timor, China, South Korea, Mongolia, and Chinese Taipei, and Japan. They will participate in the final round of the Festival in Kitami City, Hokkaido, Japan on November 28, 2015.

Through the experience of previous years, we hope that Cambodian students will be successful in the Festival and will enjoy building friendship with other participants.

## • 3 selected films for the final round of Asian International Children Film Festival are as follows:

Prize	Name of Student	Film Titles	High School
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ly Tongyean  Thai Vilak  Hong Sunchhay	2 Orphans	Chbar Ampov High School
$2^{ m nd}$	Sok Pich Visoth  Phuk Sopheaktra  Preap Pichraksmey	When You are Happy	Cambodia Adventist School
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal Chanpunloeu  Ros Bonavuth  Chear Virakyuth	Open Your Mind	Singapore International School